

Round II Program Guidelines Request for Waiver

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Waiver Request #: 1

The City of Galveston Program, working with a local advisory committee, (Program) for the Hurricane Ike/Dolly Round II Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program recommends that it is in the best interest of the residents of City of Galveston to deviate from the Statewide Guidelines as written and therefore request a waiver of the Texas General Land Office, GLO, Round 2 Housing Program Guidelines.

The Guidelines state (Part A IV A. (Page 6 of 72)) that “prior applications may be considered if they are within the designated target areas.” The City of Galveston would like to allow that Round 1 applications in the following three areas be allowed to participate in Round 2.2:

- 1) Primary Target Area – Areas that included the overlap of FEMA-Designated High Risk Areas, Areas of High Racial and Ethnic Minority Concentration and Areas of High Poverty Concentration.
- 2) Secondary Target Area – Areas that include the overlap of Areas of High Racial and Ethnic Minority Concentration and Areas of High Poverty Concentration.
- 3) Tertiary Target Area – FEMA-Designated High Risk Areas, Areas of High Racial and Ethnic Minority Concentration or Areas of High Poverty Concentration, individually.

This request recognizes the efforts of the Round 1 program and the efforts of the individual applicants to allow the use of these applications to ascertain whether they qualify under the Round 2 guidelines.

The purpose of this waiver request is to allow residents of these designated areas who are currently on Round 1 waiting list to move into Round 2 program.

The City of Galveston Program requests that GLO grant this waiver to the Round 2 Housing Guidelines.

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